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The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

Agenda item 17: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (*continued*)

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (*continued*) (A/59/102/Add.2; A/C.5/59/6/Add.2)

1. **The Chairman** drew attention to document A/59/102/Add.2, in which the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly that he had received notification of the resignation of Mr. Alvaro Gurgel de Alencar Netto (Brazil) from the Committee on Contributions. Accordingly, the Assembly was required to appoint a person to fill that vacancy for the remaining period of the term of office of Mr. Gurgel de Alencar, which would expire on 31 December 2005. In that connection, he drew attention to document A/C.5/59/6/Add.2, in which the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly that the Government of Brazil had nominated Mr. Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto to fill the unexpired portion of the term of office of Mr. Gurgel de Alencar. His candidature had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States. If there was no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to recommend that the General Assembly should appoint Mr. Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto as a member of the Committee on Contributions, for a term beginning on the date of his appointment by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2005.

2. *It was so decided.*

Agenda item 106: Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (*continued*) (A/C.5/59/L.50)

Draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.50

3. *Draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.50 was adopted.*

Agenda item 125: Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (*continued*) (A/C.5/59/L.51)

Draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.51

4. *Draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.51 was adopted.*

Agenda item 132: Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (*continued*)

(a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (*continued*) (A/C.5/59/L.62)

Draft decision A/C.5/59/L.62

5. Draft decision A/C.5/59/L.62 was adopted.

Expression of farewell to the Chairman

6. After an exchange of courtesies, in which **Ms. Taylor Roberts** (Jamaica), speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, **Mr. Van den Bossche** (Belgium), speaking on behalf of the European Union, **Mr. Mekdad** (Syrian Arab Republic), **Mr. Torres Lépori** (Argentina), speaking on behalf of the Rio Group, **Mr. Jonah** (Sierra Leone), speaking on behalf of the African Group, **Ms. Chong** (Brunei Darussalam), speaking on behalf of the Asian Group, **Ms. Ebbesen** (United States of America), **Ms. Taylor** (Australia), speaking also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand, **Mr. Ramlal** (Trinidad and Tobago), **Mr. Elnaggar** (Egypt), **Mr. Mazumdar** (India), **Mr. Iosifov** (Russian Federation), **Mr. Berti Oliva** (Cuba), **Mr. Kozaki** (Japan), **Ms. Skaare** (Norway) and **Mr. Terzi** (Turkey), took part, **the Chairman** thanked the members of the Committee, the Bureau and the Secretariat for their hard work and collegial spirit, which had greatly facilitated his task during his term of office.

The meeting rose at 11.05 a.m.